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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINT, SHUM, UR
SUBJECT: CASE OF PTER VINS

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1. ON MAY 20, 1978, THE SISTERS OF PETER VINS, SON OF THE IMPRISONED UKRAINIAN DISSIDENT BAPTIST LEADER GEORGIY VINS, REPORTED THAT THE YOUNGER VINS HAD BEEN SENTENCED TO NINE MONTHS CONFINEMENT AT A LABOR CAMP. THE TERM WILL BE SERVED AT A CAMP LOCATED AT THE TOWN OF POLISY, VLADIMIRETSKIY RAION, ROVENSKAYA OBLAST, UKSSR. THE SISTERS SAID THE CONDITIONS AT THIS CAMP WERE NOT HARSH AND VINS WILL BE ABLE TO RECEIVE MAIL AND VISITORS.

2. THE SISTERS ALSO SAID THEY HAD AN APPOINTMENT AT KIEV CITY OVIR ON MAY 22, 1978. AT THIS MEETING THEY HOPE TO LEARN IF THEIR APPLICATIONS FOR EXIT PERMISSION HAVE BEEN APPROVED.

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3. COMMENT: THE RESULT OF OVIR'S DECISION HAS CONSIDERABLE SIGNIFICANCE FOR THE VINS FAMILY AS THE SOVIET AUTHORITIES ASSURED THEM IN FEBRUARY 1978 THAT THE ENTIRE FAMILY WILL BE ALLOWED TO EMIGRATE, BEGINNING WITH PETER VINS' TWO SISTERS. IF THE SISTERS ARE PERMITTED TO LEAVE, IT MAY BE AN INDICATION THAT THE AUTHORITIES WILL HONOR THIS PROMISE. MATLOCK

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